

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING: APRIL 4, 2022

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, April 4, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice President Brad Bray, Member Jack Dodd, County Attorney Alan Wilson, and County Auditor Jessica Secrease.

The meeting was called to order by Major Gary Cook and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Commissioner Bray led the Pledge of Allegiance, and President Paul Wyman offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the March 21, 2022, regular meeting, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Bray; President Paul Wyman seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & RECOGNITION:

Employee of the Month:

The Howard County Commissioners congratulated Howard County Health Department Employee Hudson Lappin as the April Employee of the Month. Among many things that Mr. Lappin does, he took part in establishing and running the vaccine clinic for the Health Department. It is with great honor that the Commissioners extended congratulations and the memento from Kokomo Opalescent Glass to him. Pictures were taken, and congratulations were given by all.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS & REPORTS:

HOWARD HAVEN:

Approval of New Resident at Howard Haven:

Howard Haven Director Jennifer Brower submitted an application for a new resident to be approved. The resident's name is on file in the Auditor's Office. Commissioner Wyman stated that the resident is approved subject to a 90-day probation period. The new resident was approved to move in subject to a 90-day probation period as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE:

Annual Purdue Extension Report/Update:

County Extension Director Allison Hillis presented the annual Purdue Extension update. Ms. Hillis spoke about how 4-H is starting to ramp up and also how the Purdue Extension Office has been going into local schools and talking about different programs that are available from their office.

Signatures for Shearer Lease Agreement:

County Extension Director Allison Hillis submitted the Shearer Lease Agreement for signatures, which was already approved during a previous meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Subdivision (Case 3-CP-22):

Planning Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted a new subdivision, BS12 Subdivision, located on a new lot at 6270 W. 400 S., Russiaville, Indiana. There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. BS12 Subdivision has one lot and was approved, and it was also approved at the drainage board meeting with no remonstrance. With the new subdivision request having been heard, Commissioner Dodd made a motion to approve BS12 Subdivision., Russiaville, Indiana as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Rezoning (Case 3-CZ-22):

Planning Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted Ordinance No. 2022-BCCO-16 for the rezoning of the property located at 6270 W. 400 S., Russiaville, Indiana from AG (Agricultural) to RR (Rural Residential). There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. With the rezoning request having been heard, Commissioner Bray made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2022-BCCO-16 as presented. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Subdivision (Case 4-CP-22):

Planning Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted a new subdivision, R&K Carter Farms Subdivision, located on a new lot at 6310 W. 250 S., Russiaville, Indiana. There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. R&K Carter Farms Subdivision has one lot and was approved, and it was also approved at the drainage board meeting with no remonstrance. With the new subdivision request having been heard, Commissioner Bray made a motion to approve R&K Carter Farms Subdivision., Russiaville, Indiana as presented. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Rezoning (Case 4-CZ-22):

Planning Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted Ordinance No. 2022-BCCO-17 for the rezoning of the property located at 6310 W. 250 S., Russiaville, Indiana from AG (Agricultural) to RR (Rural Residential). There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. With the rezoning request having been heard, Commissioner Dodd made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2022-BCCO-17 as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Subdivision (Case 5-CP-22):

Planning Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted a new subdivision, Liberty Meadows Subdivision, located on a new lot at 7519 E. 00 NS., Greentown, Indiana. There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. Liberty Meadows Subdivision has one lot and was approved, and it was also approved at the drainage board meeting with no remonstrance. With the new subdivision request having been heard, Commissioner Dodd made a motion to approve Liberty Meadows Subdivision., Greentown, Indiana as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Rezoning (Case 5-CZ-22):

Planning Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted Ordinance No. 2022-BCCO-18 for the rezoning of the property located at 7519 E. 00 NS., Greentown, Indiana from AG (Agricultural) to RR (Rural Residential). There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. With the rezoning request having been heard, Commissioner Dodd made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2022-BCCO-18 as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

HOWARD COUNTY MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT:

Cell Phone Bridge for Courthouse Elevators:

Due to the absence of Maintenance Superintendent Bill Stonestreet, President Paul Wyman stated that the request will be tabled.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS:

Power of Attorney with Malinowski Consulting, Inc./MALCON:

President Paul Wyman presented the Power of Attorney Agreement with Malinowski Consulting, Inc./MALCON. The County uses Malinowski Consulting, Inc./MALCON to collect the annual field excise tax refunds. The Power of Attorney Agreement with Malinowski Consulting, Inc./MALCON was approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

Howard County Auditor Jessica Secrease submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims for payment on March 25, 2022, in the amount of \$937,562.52 were submitted and approved on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. **Payroll Expenses:** The Commissioners' Payroll Expenses for payment on March 25, 2022, in the amount of \$937,562.52 were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
3. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims to be paid April 4, 2022, in the amount of \$1,051,613.48 was submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, and the motion carried.
4. **Monthly Reports:** Auditor Jessica Secrease presented the following reports to be received into the record:
 - a. Treasurer's Report ending 02/28/2022
5. **Grants:**
 - a. Community Supervision Director Dustin DeLong submitted for approval the Community Corrections Grant. This grant is used for the in-home detention, work release, and two probation officers.
 - b. Community Supervision Director Dustin DeLong submitted for approval the Victims Assistance (VOCA) Grant. This grant pays for two full-time employees.The Community Corrections Grant and Victims Assistance (VOCA) were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

*There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time,
the meeting was adjourned at 4:19 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Bray.
The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dodd, and the motion carried.*

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

ROBERT B. BRAY, VICE PRESIDENT

JACK W. DODD, MEMBER

ATTEST:

JESSICA SECREASE, AUDITOR

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